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For : COMBINATION STACK AND STAND TABLE
WITH REFUSE RECEPTACLE FOR CATERING
OR THE LIKE
Group Art Unit : 3637
Examiner : José V. Chen
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Applicant submits herewith information which she believes may be material to examination of this Application, in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97.

While this Information Disclosure Statement may be material pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is not intended to constitute an admission that the information referred to therein is "prior art" to Applicant's invention unless designated as such.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, the filing of this Statement shall not be construed to be an admission that the information attached to this Statement is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

By this submission, Applicant also does not represent that a search has been made nor that better art does not exist.

In addition, Applicant reserves the right to contend, as appropriate, that any information asserted against any claim(s) of the captioned Application is not “prior art” according to the facts and the law.

Applicant further reserves the right to present appropriate arguments and/or evidence to establish patentability over such information, should any citation listed below be applied against any claim(s) of the captioned Application.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner, after considering the information set forth below, independently determine those citations which the Examiner would consider to be the most pertinent.

Copies of the following citations are submitted along with Form PTO-1449.

Goldberg et al., U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2003/0218290, dated November 27, 2003: relates to a receptacle cover device with raised work surface.

Fraise, U.S. Patent No. 6,321,662, issued November 27, 2001: is directed to a dining table assembly.

Bowman et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,148,737, issued November 21, 2000: concerns a display shelf.

Gebauer et al., U.S. Patent No. Des. 412,348, issued July 27, 1999: discloses an attachable keg table for games.

Iannuzzelli et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,172,642, issued December 22, 1992: relates to a studio storage table.

Gutgsell, U.S. Patent No. 4,838,180, issued June 13, 1989: is directed to a folding table leg apparatus.

Cooper, U.S. Patent No. 4,765,619, issued August 23, 1988: concerns a table tennis apparatus.

Creske, U.S. Patent No. 4,428,305, issued January 31, 1984: discloses a table top.

Duncan, U.S. Patent No. 4,379,587, issued April 12, 1983: relates to a seat structure.

Weber, U.S. Patent No. 3,683,824, issued August 15, 1972: concerns a table.

Allen, U.S. Patent No. 3,695,742, issued October 3, 1972: is directed to a combination table bar cabinet.

Hage, U.S. Patent No. 3,636,894, issued January 25, 1972: discloses a table construction.


Cooper, U.S. Patent No. 3,061,392, issued October 30, 1962: concerns a leg attaching means for tables and furniture.

Pond, U.S. Patent No. 1,709,406, issued April 16, 1929: relates to a piano bench.

Herbert, U.S. Patent No. 425,948, issued April 15, 1890: is directed to a table leg connection.

It is requested that the above be made of record in this Application.

Respectfully submitted,

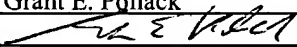


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